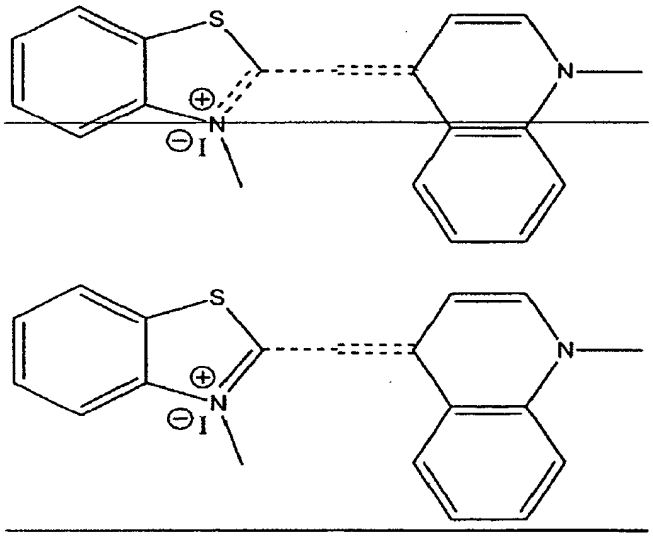
AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Another type of dye that can be used in an ink are the methine class of dyes. The methine dyes generally contain one or more methine group chromophores ~~(—CH=C—)~~ (—CH=), also called methylidyne or methine group. When the methine dye only contains one methine group the dye is sometimes referred to as a cyanine dye, with three methine groups the dye is sometime referred to as a carbocyanine dye, and with more than three methine groups the dye is often referred to as a polymethine dye. An example of a methine dye is Thiazole Orange:



wherein the bonds that make up the methine group are shown above as broken lines. Other examples of methine dyes include Basic Red 15, Basic Yellow 11, and Basic Yellow 13. For a comprehensive listing of methine dyes, see F. M. Hamer, The Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds, A. Weissberger (Ed.), The Cyanine Dyes and Related Compounds, Wiley Interscience, New York (1964).

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